

MASSACHUSETTS PLOUGHMAN
SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 16, 1848
William Buckminster, Editor
SLAVERY IN CALIFORNIA AND NEW MEXICO.

The New York Journal of Commerce endeavors to show that slavery can never be profitable in those regions—that it cannot be profitably introduced there, and that the North need not be so anxious to have it excluded by express provisions of Congress.

It then asks why is the South so unwilling to have it expressly excluded by Congress? It proceeds to say that the South do not like to be barred from their *equal rights* as members of the Union—they came in on equal terms, and wish to preserve their position. Indeed they must do so or be forever disgraced.

The Journal proceeds to give its judgment against the North, and accuses the people of encroaching on the fair claims of the South. It states that our people are never ready to hear both sides of the question, &c.

The Journal is a very influential paper, and is in many cases a carded Journal; but how it can be used to the North of encroachment on the question of slavery, we cannot comprehend. Can the Journal hope to make any intelligent reader believe it to be equal to five new slave states while only one free one is added to our union? Can it make us believe that the framers of the Constitution contemplated the addition of a single slave state? We think not.

But how is the South disgraced by the exclusion of slavery? If any disgrace belongs to the business of exclusion, that disgrace was borne by the South as long ago as 1787 when the Ordinance was passed excluding slavery from all the territory on the northward side of the Ohio.

Southern men settle there, but if they carry their slaves they are at once *too far from the law of the land*. Virginia and South Carolina cannot carry their laws with them—they must conform to the *Lex loci* (the law of the place) to which they are in possession.

CATTLE SHOWS, &c.

The 2d. "triennial Festival," of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society will be held at Faneuil Hall on Friday next.

The "Exhibition" of the Mass. Horticultural Society, will commence on Tuesday next, at noon, and continue until Friday noon, at Faneuil Hall.

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Mr. Peoples has removed the paper called *The American Star* from Mexico to Corpus Christi; and the *Vera Cruz Free American* has been changed to Point Isabel. These papers both advocate the Buffalo Hunt in the Sierra Madre.

Santa Anna's liquor canteen is now in possession of Mr. McBride of Philadelphia; it is made of Mexican oakum, two feet long, and when found in Santa Anna's tent was full of brandy. The general quitted too hastily to take a horn on his departure.

MILITARY ARRESTED. John D. Fenlon has been arrested at Winchester, Va., for stealing letters from the Post office; \$2,400 were found on him, and he acknowledged he had burned drafts and letters. He had also \$800 in half notes in his possession.

[For the Ploughman.]

DEAR Sir: In the Ploughman of Sept. 9th, in an editorial with the caption "Mr. Webster at Marshfield," the following statement occurs: "He [Mr. Webster] and Gen. Taylor, having been nominated for the highest offices fairly nominated, for anything that I know, to the contrary—I shall not, and I cannot refuse my vote, nor oppose his election." Now, Sir, I believe that, so far as relates to Mr. Webster's voting for Gen. T., your statement is incorrect.

On motion of J. A. Vail, Esq. of Montpelier—Resolved, That, under the present situation of the Convention, we approve the issue of new stock at \$50 per share, on the terms proposed, and recommend to the present stockholders to take the amount of subscription to which they are entitled.

On motion of President Wheeler of Burlington.—This is the man who hanged three of his crew for mutinying on board the Somers, some years ago. He hanged them after the mutiny was suppressed, and after the seven leading mutineers had submitted and were in irons. He was cowardly enough to hang them for fear they would break their fates, though he was within one day's sail of a friendly port in the West Indies. He was acquitted of the charge of murder by a bare majority of naval officers, after a long investigation.

WHIG CONVENTION AT WORCESTER. The Whigs held their Convention on Wednesday last, at Worcester. The present Governor and Lieut. Gov. were re-nominated by acclamation. Nine hundred and eighty-three delegates represented nearly every town in the State and seemed to say "We are not yet dead."

Elected were chosen—Ex-Governor Lincoln and Edmund Dwight, at large—and for the Districts—Albert Fearing of Boston, No. 1; David Pingree of Salem, 2; James H. Duncan of Haverhill, 3; Isaac Livermore of Cambridge, 4; Benjamin F. Thorne of Worcester, 5; M. A. Tenney of Belchertown, 6; Asa Howland of Conwy, 7; H. A. D. Burnell of Roxbury, 8; W. Baylies of West Bridgewater, 9; Wm. R. Easton of Nantucket, 10.

THE BALLOON ASCENSION. There was a large assemblage on the Common and in the gardens on Wednesday to witness the ascension. Dr. Morrill and the young lady, who had been advised to go up with him, took their places in the car, and the signal to let go was given.

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Respectfully,
Yours, &c.,
HANOVER.

[For the Ploughman.]

Our correspondent has read but one report of the speech. It was the first, but not a full one.

If he will examine the full and corrected report he will find, that Mr. W. not only advised the whigs to support Taylor, but said he should not, and could not refuse his own vote. We copied the corrected and full report from the Courier of Monday the 4th instant.

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LITTLETON, Sept. 4th 1848.

[For the Ploughman.]

OUR correspondent is one of the old standards of Middlesex county, and we are pleased to hear from him. All the changes of modern days are not improvements. [Editor.]

MAINE ELECTION. The Whigs seem pleased with the returns from Maine. The Portland Advertiser of Thursday says Dana, the Democratic candidate for Governor, has been defeated—the plurality against him thus being 4435. It also states that Whigs have been elected to Congress from the third and fourth districts.

MR. JASON B. TENNEY of Stow, tells us that on the 16th of August, his father fell dead while mowing in his meadow—he had been there but a few minutes and was in perfect health. It is supposed his heart was affected—he was 60 years of age.

MR. CURTIS CALHOUN, of Grenville S. C., states that two of Mr. Calhoun's negroes have been committed to jail in Pickens District for an attempt to poison Mrs. Calhoun by putting oxalic acid in her tea. Mr. C. should educate his slaves better.

WE are indebted to Mr. Curtis Fobush of Grafton, for a box of excellent yellow peaches raised from the stone. Mr. F. says he bought four large peaches in 1840 and planted the stones—the fruit was not so sweet as this, now sent us. He raised 4 trees, three of which bear a like kind. He names these seedlings, the "Fobush peach." We approve of the name and of the fruit. It is rich enough for any taste.

MR. EPHRAIM WOODS of Salem, nurseryman, has sent us some excellent plums—sweet and rich seedlings. Plums may be raised near the sea coast, but we find more pain than pleasure in their cultivation in the country.

MR. W. G. L�KE, Nurseyman, of Topsfield, has sent us some very large and fine specimens of what he calls Fall Greenings—also specimens of the Fall Harvey apple. Mr. L. calls them both "great heaters."

MR. JOHN KINNIBAL, of Natick, has brought us some fine, large, and excellent Bartlett peaches. They are worth eating.

IT seems that Mandock, of the steamer Ocean Monarch, has been exonerated by a Jury of Inquest from all blame on account of the loss by burning—and the jury has commended him for his exertions to save the vessel and passengers.

WE are requested to state that Anna Walker, of Brookfield, is expected to give a political lecture at Framingham on Wednesday next.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

VERY LATE FROM EUROPE.

The Europa, from Liverpool, arrived at New York on Thursday morning. She left Liverpool on the 2d instant.

The Jacob Perkins from Boston arrived out at Liverpool on the 28th, and the steamer America from New York on the 30th.

Among the passengers in the Europa, is J. W. Clark, Esq. of this city.

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EXPOSITION OF THE JESUITS FROM SAVOY.

Pray excuse me for repeating the entire exposition of the Jesuits from the Sardinian dominions, and confiscated their property for the establishment of national colleges.

We have news from Rome, but no mention is made of the rumored disturbances in that city.

Venice continues its preparations for defence.

TRANQUILITY appears to be restored to Trieste.

NORTHERN ITALY. The Paris papers of Thursday (21st ult.) consider the speech of Baron Wiesenberg, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Austria, to the French and British envoys, as showing a gradual improvement in the appearance of all the crops; and belief gains ground that a large portion of the potatos will be available for consumption. A gentleman, residing on the continent, writes that Messrs O'Gorman, O'Donnell and Doyle were in Trieste.

This armistice was sent to Berlin for ratification.

FRANCE. The National Assembly continued in session from noon on Friday, and till the close of the afternoon and night of Saturday, and until 6 o'clock Saturday morning. The Assembly of France has at length determined to hand over M. M. Louis Blanc and Caussidieu, officials of the Revolutionary Provisional Government to the legal tribunals of the country as being implicated in the disturbances of the 15th of May.

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have been pretty large, but at Saturday, 1000 lbs go Oswego 500 pds Genesee, to go East Ohio for Scotland at \$6.50; 1000 lbs in Oct., and 1000 lbs in March at \$6.00, and others below four dollars. The price of wheat in market at No. 3, average at 1.25. Salt common wheat at 1.28 lbs per bushel, mixed at 69.71c; Western wheat at yellow at 73c; common wheat at 78.80c; No. 3 small wheat at 73c; 3.25c; 3.50c. Rice is held at 41c. Oats advance, and brought at 41c.

The Flour market

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unchanged, which was not freely met by

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22 for new Genesee and 2.25

cask at 1.25c, and others

for export at 6.66c,

and others in the same range

of wheat in market at No. 3, average at 1.25. The only real

difference is in the price of white and yellow wheat.

In Barley, prices 500 lbs

at 1.25c, two rows at 75c;

3000 bushels, 75c, including 3000

bushels Corn, 75c, Rice 75c—

at 10c, and 3750 lbs ac-

hance in price.

MARSHALL, Sept. 11. At

Westerly, 200 lbs, 75c

and 300 lbs, 100 lbs, sold

to Brighton. 100

Lamb—Sheep—Sheep

Bills 75c to 1.25c—

Stocks, Pines Brown & Sons, I.

Sept. 12.—

RR, 110;

RR, 102;

RR, 54.50;

RR, 50; RR, 50;

RR, 104.25;

RR, 12.50;

RR, 54.50;

RR, 52.50;

RR, 104.25;

